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ALEXANDRIA:

MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 16, 1858. What do the People Want !

The National Intelligencer, in reply to this interrogatory, recites a few of the desirable things, which the people want, or should want, at the present time in the history of our government :-

agitation, as well in its causes as its effects. They want a well-regulated national cur-

They want just and adequate protection awarded to Amercan industry.

They want a judicious system of internal improvements instead of the present partial and spasmodic legislation of Congress.

They want the public lands carefully busbanded, if their proceeds cannot be equally distributed. They want a remedy applied to the abuses

connected with the dispensation of the pub-lic patronage—abuses which provoke complaint even from the party which first inaugurated the "spoils era" in politics. They want an economical administration of the Government, as well in the collec-

tion as in the disbursement of its revenues. They want justice, dignity, and moderation in the conduct of our foreign affairs, whether as regards the great Powers of Europe or the feeble Staes on our own conti-

They want no further extension of our Territorial limits. They want the Executive power restrained

within its ancient restrictions. They want the Judiciary, both State and Federal, respected alike for the purity and

independence of its decisions. They want no more "delusions and decentions," growing out of ambiguous legislation with respect to the Territories, or other

topics of national concern. They want the Federal Legislature governed more by the felt necessities of the country and less by the exigencies of party."

The Warrenton Flag says, that the address of R. Taylor Scott, esq., at the laying of the corner stone of the Fauquier Female Seminary, was a very interesting and able one .--Mr. Scott portrayed, in glowing and impressive language, the advantages of educationthe conquests it has already gained over the elements of nature—the mysteries of earth, air and ocean-and the facilities it has acquired for the diffusion of knowledge by the Press-the Railroad-the Steamship and the Telegraph; so that now, almost with the speed of lightning, intelligence can be conveyed to distant lands, and will soon be able to encompass the globe. He then spoke of the at once to Pekin, and only in that city to nevast fields of truth and knowledge yet to b explored, whose resources are to be gathered for the use and benefit of man. He closed with a strong, and I hope, effective appeal to those present, and all the citizens of Warrenton and its vicinity, to sustain the Institution about to be established in their midst; not only as an individual, but as a public benefit, and as one of the great instrumentalities for diffusing light and truth over

The Fredericksburg Recorder says that Fredericksburg has not retrograded since the days of its greatest prosperity-and makes the following remarks about the eastern cities in Virginia, generally:--

"There is not a town or city in the State of Virginia that is not at the present moment suffering more or less from the effects of heavy taxes, the recent panic, or the deficit in the wheat crop. And yet viewing the matter through the darkest possible medium. they are, in the main, paradexical as it may seem, enjoying in the present an absolute and unmistakable prosperity, while the future looms up with the most cheering and hopeful indications. He is no visionary dreamer who confidently looks forward to the time when her resources are properly developed, that Virginia will become not only the Empire State of the South, but the successful agricultural and commercial rival of the first State in the Union -- when her towns will grow into cities, and her cities into commercial emporiums, worthy of the name."

Advices from Great Salt Lake City to the 17th of July, bave been received. The army was in good condition, and enjoying comfortable quarters. The city it is stated, had resumed its wonted aspect, nearly all the refugees having returned to their homes and the pursuit of their avocations. An investigation of the condition of the territorial library had confirmed the suspicion that the and pretension have already taken violent Mormon leaders falsified when they declared possession of the public ear in its name, that that the books remained undisturbed. A there is good reason now to fear that, when large portion of the law books formerly con- | the time for rejoicing actually comes, gratitained in the library bave disappeared. The Mormons preserved the semblance of peace contempt. Good taste and good sense both at last advices, but their batred of the Gentile irruption was manifested in various un- we get a dispatch across the line; then before pleasant ways.

M. Dulany Ball, eeq., before the Providence and in what proportion, leaving no room for Literary Society, on the 11th inst., at Fairfax | jealousies and heart-burnings, more espe-Court House was, The Spirit of Inquiry .--The Fairfax News says:

"The Address was brilliant, eloquent, witty, practical and in excellent taste. His hits at the fashionable follies and foibles of the age were apposite and well directed, and repeatedly "brought down the house." The Address was characterized throughout by those graces of oratory for which the elcquent speaker is already justly distinguished, and for one hour he was honored with the closest and most marked attention of his large and appreciative audience."

The cases of yellow fever, at the New York quarantine, seem to be increasing. At a meeting of the Commissioners of Health last week, it was stated that the number of yellow fever cases imported since the let in- that the people have nothing else to occupy stant is very large. It probably exceeds the number imported in 1856, when the disease Governments. spread to Fort Hamilton and South Brooklyn; but as yet there have been no cases of epidemic or endemic around the port. A large per centage of the cases sent to the hospital have been cured, and no danger is apprehended under existing regulations.

The Fraser river gold fever is fast subsiding, under the intelligence recently brought that the mines can only be worked a very renewed attention.

The name of New Caledonia has been changed by the British government, in the bill for the establishment of a colonial government for that Territory, to British Columbia. The first name was given in compliment to the settlers, who were chiefly Scotch. They have adopted the new name in commemoration of the great discoverer of the continent, but distinguish it from the Columbia in the United States by the addition of

In consequence of the apprehension of famine among the miners on Fraser river it is in contemplation by the Hudson's Bay Company to remove the restrictions to the free navigation of that stream. Two American vessels had already had permission accorded to them to ascend it, and it was expected that the navigation would be declared free to all. That step, however, had not been definitively taken at the last accounts.

Senator Trumbull has taken the stump in llinois, for the "Republican" party. He lately made a speech, which has created considable attention. The New York Herald says: "His Custom House statistics, are very curious "The people want an end put to sectional and remarkable, and suggestive of an immense batch of spoils and lobby jobs, which have grown up under the fostering care of the spoilsmen and lobby jobbers of Congress, unil they need a general pruning down."

> We notice the recent death of Madame Champagneux at her residence in Paris, at the age of seventy seven. This lady was the only child of the celebrated Madame Roland. one of the brave women who perished on the scaffold during the French revolution, the commencement of which she bailed with rapture, and the horrors, of which she unavailingly deplored. Her memoirs are among the most interesting of that period.

One of the most curious phenomena of modern times is the extraordinary increase in the consumption of tobacce. The Genie Industrial says that it cannot account for the advance in France, where it has indeed been enormous. For while in 1830 the value of tobacco consumed was about \$13,000,000 in 1840 it had increased to \$19,000,000, in 1850 to \$24,000,000, and in 1857 to nearly \$35,-

The report of the Board of Ordnance officers, who superintended the recent trial of breech-loading carbines at West Point, has just been published. It appears that none of the various arms presented, met the entire approbation of the Board, but that the Burnside model proved the least objectionable .-Mr. Colt seems to have been left entirely in the background.

The Fredericksburg Recorder says :-- "It 1850 the whole debt of the corporation was only twenty-two thousand dollars. Eleven thousand of which was due the Virginia Bank and the residue the Farmers' Bank .-Now it amounts in round numbers to the insignificant sum of two hundred and fifty

A letter from an officer on board the Mississippi, published in the Hong Kong Register, says that it was the intention of Lord otiate with the Chinese. for reinforcements, but the Register has not the least idea where they are to come from.

The success of the Atlantic cable will on courage the establishment of other lines, with more or less submarine wires, to other portions of the globe. Among these is the proposed route from Key West (Fla.) to Havana; thence to Yucatan across to Tehuantepec, and down to Panama, and ultimately to San

The million and a half of specie brought by the Star of the West, from California, will should, therefore, be the first curiosity to atbe a handsome addition to the reserves of the New York Banks, and more than balance all the shipments of the last two weeks.

The editor of the Fredericksburg News, who is at the White Sulphur Springs, gives, on the whole, a favorable account of that watering place, this season.

The Richmond South says, that so far from the coming year being one of abundance. throughout the country, there will be short crops of nearly all the staple productions.

We have received the September number of Harper's Magazine, from Mr. Geo. E. French. This number is in no respect inferior to its

The Union says that "the vexed question of Slavery had little or nothing to do with the result of the recent vote in Kansas."

The Telegraph Rejoieings. In an article on this subject, the N. Y. Post

remarks: "So much nonsense has been written, spoken and telegraphed about the contemplated telegraph celebration, so much affectation tude will have given place to shame and point to the propriety of waiting, first, till making a public demonstration in honor of any particular parties, that we ascertain all The subject of the Address delivered by to whom public recognition should be made,

cially of an international character." The "cable," it appears, is to be brought into the political arena, as Mr. Cyrus W. Field is nominated by an enthusiastic "cableite" through a New York journal, as a candidate for Governor of that State. - Balt. Sun.

South American Revolutions. The instability of the Governments of South America. Brazil excepted, has become proverbial. The arrival of every steamer from the Isthmus brings us news of what is called a revolution, in some of the so-called South American Republics. One month it is in Venezuela, the next Peru, and anon Chili. that is disturbed by revolts and revolutions. Governments are made and destroyed during a change of the moon; Presidents and Cabinets are chosen, installed in office, and deposed in such rapid succession that it would seem

Fire Companies.

companies of this city have disbanded except | back of Hamilton & Clark's foundry. The 1, 3, 2, and 6. No. 2 have removed their bank caught fire, we did not learn how, and pensation for the labor and services they per- make them fully sensible of the power of the hose-carriage and plug-snatcher from their burned with great rapidity. A short dishouse at the corner of 12th and Bank, leav- tance from the mouth of the bank a pit is no class of men perform more gratuitous sering there the engine which belongs to the sunk to admit air. Out of this there comes vices for all general and local interests, or ers, in a private letter, represents the affairs city. No. 4 was to have held a meeting last a flame, rising higher and higher into the are more actively and effectually engaged in of the Territory of Utah to be on a good evening for the purpose of considering the air. Since one o'clock yesterday morning, propriety of disbanding also. Thus, like a up to this writing, there have been two large helmless ship at the mercy of the waves, our streams of water constantly pouring upon otherwise .- Rich. South.

A Lively Time in Court.

New York is the place just now, for all atorneys who are learned in the law of libel. the conviction of Alligator Branch, quite a mania has seized upon the city officials, and they seem resolved to give the Courts ample occupation with the trial of libel cases. Frank Leslie, the illustrated newspaper man, has been arrested at the instance of an Alderman, and charged with eight or ten distinct offences. That his prosecutors are in earnest, impelled by a leep hatred and detestation, will be seen from what transpired in Court immediately after the arrest was made. The defendant asked to be allowed to give bail, which was granted, the plaintiff's counsel urging that it should be put at a high figure: the report

Mr. Graham proceeded to state that they ntended to show these English scoundrels that they could not libel and caricature respectable citizens with impunity.

Mr. Leslie suggested that Mr. Graham hould be more careful in his use of epithets. Mr. Graham-Don't speak to me, you coundrel, or I shall not be responsible for the consequences. These fellows, (alluding to Mr. Leslie and a friend with him) intend to caricature the entire court. I'll nick the first man I see take out a pencil. The first acquaintance I over had with Leslie showed him to be a d-d scoundrel. If they will meet me on any flat in New York, I'll take the heads off both of them. I'll show them there is no Miss-Nancy-ism about me.

Mr. Leslie-We are gentlemen; we are no pugilists, Mr. Graham. Mr. Graham--You are a G-d d-d Eng-

ish thief. I can lick the pair of you. Justice Osborn-Mr. Graham, you must stop this; I can't allow it.

Mr. Grabam-Within the past seventywo hours, he has sent a shaft to the beart of the only remaining parent I have on earth; and the other night I went down alone past his establishment, intending if I met him on the curb, to whip him like a dog.

Mr. Leslie asked if the Court intended to allow such proceedings to continue. They were gentlemen and not blackguards. Alderman Reed-If they are gentlemen,

ne has sailed under an alias for the past five Mr. Leslie-That is not true.

Justice Osborn-Gentlemen, you must stop this.
Mr. Graham-The only question is, are

two gentlemen to be continually libelled by these English transports? They contaminate the air. If I stay in the room much longer shall suffocate. See the mean looking English thieves! This style of conversation continued some

time longer, but did not lead to any breach of the peace Now, that we call pretty "spicy" for a

Court-room, and coming from a man proseccuting for a libel. Mr. Grabam is a jewel, and Leslie as meek as Moses. As for the presiding justice, we are at a loss for suitable words to characterise bim .-- Rich. South.

The Potomac Falls.

Some days since a small company of us visited the Great Falls of Potomac, and were particularly pleased with the romantic ap-

pearance of the scenery.

The bad roads and difficulties encountered in reaching these mighty rocks and rapids, the lover of nature finds abundant substance largely attended .- Leesburg Washingtonian. to dwell upon; the artist fancies it a picture; and the poet's muse is awakened by the ca-

While standing upon one of these towerlevel, one cannot help thinking of the power of Him who holds them in his grasp.

Although these Falls are far beneath sion of many, that a view of the former is most satisfactory. For these may be exam- | not many valuable lives lost. ined with admiration; but Niagara strikes a person dumb with astonishment.

leave the sights of our own country, and used to have centuries ago with their tenan-experimented with it. From the accounts bunt those of distant parts; but if they knew it, our country has as great a natural curios-United States can boast of a greater. Ours tract us, after which we will be ready to compare it with others. Still we frequently meet with those who have lived within a few miles of the Potomac Falls until their locks have become silvery with the touch of agewholly unmindful of them .-- Rockville Jour-

Spotsylvania and Stafford.

Spotsylvania .-- Iron ore in considerable quantity in the Northwestern part of the county. Three furnaces and two forges gone down. The quality of the metal was so good as to induce a contract with the General Government for shell-bowls. Gold found in great quantity at one time-many companies were engaged in mining, several of which have abandoned the working; -some are now profitably engaged. A white freestone of fine quality is found near Fredercksburg, and granite of coarse quality on the Rappahannock. One of the furnaces above mentioned is near the site of one that was operated in the days of Gov. Spotswood -referred to by Col. Byrd in the Westover manuscripts.

gone down. A number of rich gold mines are worked. Granite abundant, and a freestone of fine quality and in great abundance near the Potomac. The President's house, Capitol, Treasury, and Patent Office buildings built of it. A grey shell marl found in large quantity of it .- Rich. Whig.

Hoax at Martinsburg.

vicinity, had a cruel hoax played upon them on Thursday last. Some wag had prepared what purported to be the message from Queen Victoria to President Buchanan, and having the same neatly printed, sent a number of youngsters through the town to dispose of them, which was done at a rapid rate and at a good price. In a short time the excitement was up to fever heat, the court was adjourned unceremoniously, bells were rung, cannon fired, and the whole population met in the Court house Square to celebrate the achievement of this great scientific victory. A number of speeches were delivered by the lawvers, who were thus suddenly called from their dissertations upon Coke and Blackstone to take part in the celebration. The firing of the guns soon aroused the staid people in the rural neighborhood, who began to pour into the town; and the day was spent in shouting, speaking, firing, and-perhapsdrinking. It was not until all were well nigh exhausted with their ebullitions of joy that the discovery was made that they had been hoaxed! - Baltimore Exchange.

SOMETHING OF A VOLCANO .-- A little before 12 o'clock, on Tuesday night, an alarm of fire was raised in Centre Wheeling. It was from the coal mine belonging to the Belmont In disgust, for various reasons, all the fire Rolling Mill, which extends into the hill use in a community, or so destructive of its tion of such defeats as experienced by Step-- Wheeling Intelligencer, 12th.

THE LOUDOUN AGRICULTURAL FAIR .-- At a Loudoun Agricultural Society, held in Leesburg, on Tuesday last, it was decided to change the day of holding the Fair to the 21st and 22ad of September. The Committhe Valley Fair at Winchester, and the State Fair of Maryland, had decided upon holdmeets at that time. These causes were suffifellow-citizens will make the necessary efforts to get up a Fair creditable to this large and wealthy county.
THE COMMITTEE to solicit subscriptions to

the Mercer Monument has been colarged so as to consist of the following named gentlemen. They are requested to use earnest effort to secure a Monument worthy of the man who has done so much to increase the material prosperity of the county of Loudoun, and whose warm support of all the great benevolent objects that have been originated in the last half century, entitle him to be remembered and commemorated as a true patriot and friend of his race :--

Asa Rogers, Elward Hammat, C. B. Tebbs, C. B. Ball, E. C. Broun, M. B. Hutchison, John I. Coleman, Wm. Fulton, F. E. Shreve, C. W. Paxson, Emanuel Waltman, John George, Jr., John Grubb, Sr., John Leslie, James R. Simpson, Joseph Nichols, Mahlon Thomas, Dr. F. T. Grady, James Grubb, John M. Harrison, Sanford I. Ramey, Silas Hutchison, Wm. N. Berkoley, J. Cost, Andrew Seitz, J. Curtis Stoneburn-er, Charles Williams, Wm. Benton, Townsend Frazier, Washington Hummer. Jonah Nichols, George D. Smith, Joshua Hatcher, Fenton M. Henderson, Thomas Presgraves, John Moore, Benj. Bridges, Jr., E. H. Janney, H. S. Thompson, Thomas L. Elizey, Joseph Worthington, John Compher, of Bo lington, Samuel Purcell, M. C. Shumate, Jonas P. Schooley, James Whaley, Asa Jackson, R. M. Bentley, Hamilton Rogers, excitement in Great Britain, is about to visit Wm. Moss, E. R. Parsel, Samuel J. Kalb, this country, a short description of him will J. P. H. Green, Capt. Abell, Jonah Hoed, S. C. Luckett, Dr. A. M. Bond, William S. Greenlease, Joseph McFarland, Matthew P. | who heard him preach lately, to an audience Lee, John A. Carter, J. Potts Neer, James C. Janney, Ludwell Luckett, Joseph G. Hall in that city, says:

Gray, and J. Beverley Oden. "Never had a speaker a more unpromising

The Committee will please report at September Court what amount has been raised,

take further steps in the matter. August Court was not as numerously attended as usual. We had, however, quite a crowd. Our citizens have not yet become from Monday to Tuesday. The county of Loudoun is a century old this year, and customs which have been practised for so long a time are not to be broken in upon without that. creating inconvenience and dissatisfaction. There was considerable business done at this suits disposed of.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING of the Society of Friends commences at the Goose Creek Meet- rings through the hall like a clarion, filling ing House, on to-morrow, (Saturday.) and every ear with melodious sound." were soon forgotten in contemplation. Here will last for several days. They are very

Col. Fremont in California. reader may have observed, -figures conspic- the crowds that flock to hear him that a ing rocks, looking at the vast piles and confused masses hemming in the river, and the contest with certain squatter sovereigns to prevent confusion and disorder. He as follows on this production. The brandy the most substantial and pretty school furious element striving to reach a lower whom he wished to eject as trespassers from speaks twelve times a week, and yet enjoys spoken of is quoted at \$3 per gallon: his famous ranch in Mariposa Co. The dis pute at one time wore a serious aspect, and but for the seeming prudence and discretion Nisgara in magnificence, yet it is the conclu- of the squatters, at the eleventh bour, it is probable that blood would have been shed, if

his equatters carries the imagination back to some four or five years ago, to lowa, and The tendency of our citizens is mostly to the old feudal contests the English barons many of the farmers of that State have fully try, when that tenantry grew restive or rebellious, under the iron rule of their lordity as any other in the State, and few in the ships-the great land-owners in an age when land-owning gave title to govern, if not to own the people that happened to live, and move, and have their being on the soil.

Col. Fremont, by virtue of this immense tract of land, -- his claim to which is now confirmed by the Courts, -- is one of the Bar ons-if not the Baron-of the Pacific. It is eleven square leagues, we believe, in extent; that is to say, nearly fifty thousand acres, and all the cash he is said to have paid for it was the trifling sum of three thousand dollars. The purchase, or negotiations for the purchase, if we remember aright, were opened in 1846, just ten years before the Colonel was run as the Republican candidate for President of the United States .- N. Y. Express.

Senator Douglas and his Assailants. joieing over the defeat of F. P. Blair, Jr. Judge Douglas is stigmatized by some Democratic Party, and become false to his former principles, while the Black Republi-Stafford .- Iron ore found. One furnace cans denounce the Senator as a slavery extensionist and slavery propagandist.

The Charleston (S. C.) "Mercury" makes him "an enemy and proved traitor to the great abundance. Richmond and Freder- arrryed himself and party in "favor both of has been perfected in the last quarter of a icksburg railroad company has bought a slavery extension in the territories, and sla- century, and he is unfortunate in never get-Charleston (S. C.) "Courier," finds "sound The citizens of Martinsburg, Va., and its exceptional matter in his late Chicago speech. the inventor, and communicated the idea to

-- Rich. Eng Charge of Libel. A paragraph from the Columbia (Pa.) Spy has been going the rounds of the press, stating that a pestilential disease, called Psora, had broken out in York, Pa, and was carrying off the inhabitants rapidly, and that the town was almost deserted. The editor, we suspect, was a little too credulous, and was imposed upon by some foolish fellow who ought to be visited with an attack of Psora, and forbidden the luxury of a post against which to rub himself. The word is but the medical term from the Greek for certain cutaneous disorders, more especially the itch .-A telegram from York, Pa., dated last evening, informs us that Mr. Samuel Wright, the editor of the Columbia Spy, has been arrested and held in \$800 bail for his appearance at the next court of quarter sessions, to answer for the libellous publication .- Balt. Sun.

A Deserved Tribute.

It is indeed encuraging to know that editors and printers are occasionally appreciated. The following is an extract from the report of the Committee on Printing, of the Legislature of Wisconsin: -

disseminating information, making known the resources of the country, and inciting to peeted. action the energies of our people, than the

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE -Two physimeeting of the Executive Committee of the cians, Dr. B. and Dr. W., entered the Mctropolitan Bath-house, on Sycamore, above Fourth street, at a late hour a night or two haling a quantity of water, which strangled Circuit Court for the county of Loudoun breath, but to no purpose. He suffered im- they have been placed. mensely, and struggled until he grew livid. his friend's relief.

had been saved from choking by blows upon the back, and in a moment he struck his companion, who, with protruding eyes and ing, indifferent and often restricted rations

It was a narrow escape, indeed. Had Dr. W. remained ten seconds longer in his then Lieut. Colonel (now Colonel) P. St. George power or hope of restoration. Had he died there by strangulation, in what a position Green river; and that of Captain R. B. Mar-James S. Oden, Norborne Berkeley, James would his demise have placed Dr. B., who ey, 5th infantry, from Camp Scott, over the C. Janney, R. L. Wright, B. F. Taylor, Jas. had insisted at the "Metropolitan" upon a mountains to New Mexico, deserve, as they B. White, Wm. Williams, Thomas Philips, double bath, and urged his friend, who ap- have already received, special commendation. Noble S. Braden, A. M. Vandevanter, Thos. peared indifferent to the matter, before the ti Enquirer.

Spurgeon, the Preachers

As Spurgeon, the celebrated English divine, whose preaching has created such an not be uninteresting. Mr. Field, the London correspondent of the New York Evangelist, of eight or ten thousand persons, in Musical

exterior than Mr. Spurgeon. He is very short and very fat, and altogether what we and as many as possible meet at Leesburg to should call chid by, and as he goes waddling up the stairs he looks more like an overgrown boy than a fully developed man .--Nor does his countenance betoken superior intellect. His forehead is low, and his upaccustomed to the change of the Court day per lip is so short that it shows his teeth, which gives his mouth the appearance of a simper or a grin. Surely, I thought, cloquence cannot come out of such a mouth as

"But the impression which a physiognomst might form from these dull and heavy Court-several indicated, and a number of features is dispelled as soon as he begins to peak. Then his countenance lights up with animation. His voice is full and clear, and

He speaks extemporaneously, without note, and his singular elequence and simplicity of language are most remarkable, and have given him greater notoriety than Our old friend, Col. Fremont,-the careful any clergyman in England. So great are

Hungarian Grass.

This grass is exciting considerable attention, just now, among the farmers of Middle Tennessee, as a substitute for oats. A few This dispute between Col. Fremont and seed were imported by an exiled Hungarian bly-its yield being from three to six tons to the acre, and furnishing the very best and most nutritious of hay. We have also seen letters from several gentlemen in Middle Tennessee, who have planted it this year, and they all concur in ascribing to this grass decided advantage. The crop is only about eight weeks in maturing, and two crops a year are insured from one planting. It is not too late now to raise a crop. The following is an extract from a communication in the Nashville Homestead, from D. F. Elam, a respectable farmer of Davidson county .-We have also seen letters from Gov. N. S. Brown, Dr. Manlove, and others, fully confirming the above:

"I sowed some three acres of this grass about the 13th of May, four miles from the city, on the Gallatin pike. Its growth has been more rapid than any grain or grass I ever saw. And now, only six weeks from the The St. Louis 'Domocrat,' the Blair Black time it was sowed, it has beaded out gene-Republican organ of Missouri, takes with a rally, is four or four and a half feet high, and great deal dudgeon Judge Douglas's late re- I suppose in two or three weeks more, will be fully matured, and in my opinion, will make a larger yield than any timothy I have Southern paper as an Abolitionist and Black ever seen grown in the State, and fully equal Republican, as one who has betrayed the to timothy in quality. I will send you a specimen of this grass."-Memphis Appeal.

An Unfortunate Man of Science. Boston rejoices in an "Admirable Crichton" of science, named Dr. C. T. Jackson .--This gentleman is one of the most fortunate South;" assails him with designs "to drive and unf Runate of men. He is fortunate in slavery out of the Territory;" while the St. having suggested every scientific and me-Louis "Democrat" charges him with having chanical improvement and invention which very perpetuation in the States;" while the ting the credit of it. It is no matter in what department of science or art a discovery has and statesmanlike views culled from much been made, Dr. Jackson knew it long before the person who claims the credit of having invented it. When Dr. Morton claimed the discovery of the qualities of ether, as an agent for preventing pain during surgical operations, Dr. Jackson instantly charge! Morton with stealing all Jackson's ideas .-When Professor Morse announced the practical operation of the magnetic telegraph, afer ten years of weary thought and anxiety, Dr. Jackson instantly started up as the originator and suggester of that very system .-Now that Morse's name is brought into greater prominence by the crowning act of aying the submarine cable, Jackson steps forward and claims all the credit to himself. Dr. Jackson is, no doubt, a very wonderful man in his own estimation; but if he carries so much science in his head that he is able to anticipate all the inventions of time, the inquiry suggests itself, why does he not make | be a little harder to get at the gold, but there the public the recipient of this knowledge, is more of it imbeded in the earth. Such at and so get bimself the honor of the discovery? Phila Ledger.

Washington., August 13 .- Preparations are being made for the organization of an efficient military staff for Washington and Oregon Territories, preliminary to the con-"We are not aware that printers and templated operations against the hostile Innewspaper proprietors are a class of so little | dians of that region, and to prevent a repetiinterests, as to be entitled to but half com- toe. The object of the Secretary of War is to form. But your committee do believe that federal arm. A force of 2,500 men is to be kept in Utah. One of the peace commissionfoundation. Their arrival here is daily ex-

General Fair, of Alabama, recently ap-

Movements of the Army. HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY,)

WE'T POINT, N. Y. Aug. 10, 1858. The General-in-Chief, learning of the arrial of the troops under Brevet Brigadier ago, and asked for a double bath, which was General Johnston at their destination in the given them. One of the two, Dr. W., dis- Salt Lake country, after their detention in rebed immediately, and during a merry con- the valley of Green river during the last wintee was induced to make the change because | versation, leaped laughingly into the tub, in- ter, takes occasion to commend them in general orders as he has already done through him at once. He threw up his hands and their commander-for their exemplary coning their Fairs at the same time, and the made every effort to regain his suspended duet under the trying circumstances in which

Detained, after a long and wearisome cient to induce the change. We hope our His fate seemed inevitable, and Dr. B., par- march of over a thousand miles, by causes strong military force—say from filtern alyzed by terror, stood by his side and wait- over which their commander had no control, ed for the moment that death would come to in a most barren and inhospitable regionsubjected, by the rigors of the season, which Suddenly a thought struck Dr. B., and destroyed or paralyzed their draught anireason began to act. He knew that men mals, to toils of no ordinary nature; and, on account of the destruction of part of their supplies, obliged to labor with insufficient clothlivid face, was undergoing all the horrors of of food-this fine body of men, instead of strangulation, a heavy blow between the giving way to insubordination, irregularities or murmurs even, went on improving in dis-Dr. W. threw up the water, and was re- cipline and instruction, and discharging their lieved at once; but so exhausted was he by accumulating duties with the utmost alacthe terrible scene through which he had pas- rity and cheerfulness; and, at the order of sed that he sank helpless in the tub, and their commander, not showing the inhabiwould have been drowned but for Dr. B., tants of Salt Lake Valley, as they passed who lifted him up in his arms and support through their settlements, either by act, ted him until his strength was partially re- word, or gesture, that they had recently stood towards them in a hostile attitude.

The march-in the depth of winter-of condition, he would have been beyond the Cooke, commanding the 24 dragoons, from Fort Laramie, through the South Pass to

Brevet Brigadier General Johnston has had negroes, to yield to his proposition! No the henor to be supported by officers of great noise would have been made by the horrid intelligence, zeal, and experience. Yet it is mode of dying, and the first known of the not to be doubted that to his own high solcasualty would have been the announcement | dierly qualities, untiring exertions, tact, and of Dr. B. that Dr. W. was dead .- Cincinna- sound judgement, the credit for the condition and high tone of his army is pre-eminently due.

By command of Brevet Lieutenant-General IRVIN MCDOWELL, Scott:

Assistant Adjutant General. Dogs and Cows.

The good citizens of Portsmouth are beginning to see the beneficial, and (if not immediately) very pleasant effects of the new city ordinance concerning hogs, cows, goats, dogs, &c., which we so repeatedly urged previous to its adoption, or constitution.

It has not yet been in effect over two weeks yet the change that it has wrought in the appearance of the numbers of quadrupeds which were wont to parade the streets of Portsmouth, almost in armies, is very distinctly seen.

Three weeks ago it was dangerous, yes, we say it was dangerous, for a lady to pass through some portions of the city alone, upon account of being attacked and perhaps gored or knocked down by some long-horned, lean, dirty good-for-nothing cow. Of this miserable nuisance we believe that the city is nearly entirely relieved.

The canine tribe which could once be seen upon the streets, we actually believe by hunlreds or thousands, --- have disappeared, givng Portsmouth at least the appearance of eing innabited by men, instead of dogs .-Dogs now are equally as scarce upon the treets as white folks were during the prevance of the yellow fever of 1855 .- Norfolk Day Book.

California Wine and Brandy. The San Francisco Price Current remarks

California brandy, distilled from the native I shall have an opportunity grape, can now be bought in the market, and | nal description of it, if you'll visit A of a quality equal to the average brands of dria. Cognae imported here, and greatly superior to the Rochelle brandy. From the grape crop this year it is estimated 50,000 gallons will be made, or 300 a400 per cent. more than last year. At this ratio of increase we do not hesitate to say that three years hence, fine brandy will be one of our exportable pro-

For two years past various classes of wine. made from the native grape of Los Angelos, have been growing upon popular notice and favor. The Alta California says it is etimated that 150,000 gallons of wine were made in the State last year, and from the grape crop this year, it is expected 350,000 gallons will be manufactured. A great number of new vineyards have been planted in the vicinity of Los Angelos since 1853, and the annual grape crop since then must have increased enormously.

Beath from the Growing of a Toe-Nall.

"A man lately died in Boston from the effeats of the growing of a toe-nail." Did he? We regret to here it. We regret still more to hear that any one has lived to a mature age without learning how to prevent "the growing in of a toc-nail;" by which we presume is meant that frequent occurrence of the corner of the nail growing into the overlaying flesh, in consequence of wearing shoes or boots too tight. We have known cases of excruciating suffering arising from this cause; and only last week we rode down town in company with a surgeon on his way to operate on a oe that had become inflamed from the corner of the nail growing into the flesh. Now, to prevent this difficulty. Do not cut away the Hodges, Walter P E. offending corner of the nail as is usually done | Heth, M A Miss very short, but cut a notch in the centre, quite down to the quick, and keep that notch there until the difficulty is cured, which will sometimes be with the first cutting. The philosophy of the remedy is that the cut breaks the arch, and naturally changes the the curvature of the nail, and makes the corners turn up instead of down .-- N. Y. Tribune.

Rich Tunneling.

The following statement of the amount of gold dust taken out of the Monumental Company's Claim, at Forest City, for the five weeks and four days ending June 28, 1858, is furnished by Robt. M. Larmour, esq., Secretary of the company:

For the week ending May 23.....282 2 " 30.....**89**2 0 June 6.....244 0 " 13.....303 12} " 20.....210 4j " 4 days " " 27.....151 115 The above is copied from the books of the

company, and is correct. With such claims as this, what need of Fraser river? The gold region of Sierra county is at this moment richer than all the Praser river diggings put together. It may

Highly Important.

least is our opinion .-- California Express.

Some one suggests, through the columns of the New York Commercial Advertiser, "that on the receipt of the first message from her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain to the President of the United States by the ocean telegraph, the gentlemen of our whole continent, within the reach of a telegraph despatob, shall raise their hats."

The Advertiser suggests in return, "that on the receipt of the first message from the President of the United States, the ladies of all the British isles profoundly curtsey, or that all the gentlemen take off their boots!"

TOHN MURPHY, ATTORNEY AT LAW. will practice in the Courts of Westmoreand, Richmond, and Northumberland Counties. brief period of the year, and those of Oregon neithies ship at the mercy of the waves, our pointed minister to Belgium, is in this city left at the mercy of fire, incendiary or the fire, with no success at extinguishing it. Post Office, Rice's Store, Westmoreland County, awaiting instructions.

The Mormons. Major McCullough-one of the sioners upon the part of the United Government to negotiate with the M in Utah-passed through our city yes on his way east, and honored us with at the office of the Enquer. The M in the enjoyment of excellent hear came through from Salt Lake City to worth (Kansas) in thirty-three days overland journey across the plains,

Major has no confidence in the perpetein

the peace made with the Mormons,

the Government keeps at Salt Lake

dred to two thousand men. In regard to the population of the w mons, the Major estimates it at above thousand. They could bring into the about seven thousand fighting men of some seven hundred are excelofficient mountaineers. The Major states the course of conversation, that he baj at ed Brigham Young, if he desired to great State and hierarchy, to pull up and remove to some other countr prophet afterward declared that he a no man to advise him-to stand between and God, from whom alone he took his

It is Major McCallough's decided that the United States should maintain a very strong military government, Mormons have no love for our instituti can only be kept in subjection by measures. To effect that it would ! sarv to repeal the law organizing the tory, and vest all authority in a Gon and Council appointed by the President Senate. - Cincinnati Empirer.

The Drought. The accounts from some sections of

nia and North Carolina, relative to the crops are very distressing. The corn ing up and large fields will prove alm worthless. A good rain now would late for many fields, but would save from utter ruin. In Norfolk and P Anne counties, a few miles from this the appearance of the crops is exceed unpromising and discouraging .-- A [COMMUNICATE

To the Washington Correspondent Baltimore Sun:-There's no use in gen-"riled up," my dear Mercury, because Alexandria papers occasionally corre mistakes about our local affairs; security news is not expected to be as accurate at cial information, for rumors, like south rolling in the snow, proverbially incres the pass from mouth to mouth. N therefore, expressed surprise that the posed Hall of the Young Catholics' i Society had outgrown the lot upon which was to have been located, or wondered you knew that the building aforesaid was given out at contract soon and finished fall, before the building committee had appointed to arrange those matters.

Don't take it too bard, if I tell y the Sun was wrong then, and is son that's a good Mercury; for the bon scribbler, no such size as you mentione ever spoken of for the Hall, and inste the committee having commenced nego for the lot on the corner of Wolfe and streets, that lot was purchased almost a ago, and a DEED made to the gentlemen obtained it for the society.

On one-point you are right. The does hope soon to "be able to boast of ings in the city," and when it is finished

Let this satisfy you, my good Mercury as the building committee has not you ded upon the plans, you can't publish specifications. Your humble servant. IST OF LETTERS remaining in Office, at Alexandria, Va., on the

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